



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q77786

Masahiro KATSUMURA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/679,416

Group Art Unit: 2878

Confirmation No.: 3480

Examiner: David A. Vanore

Filed: October 7, 2003

For: BEAM ADJUSTING SAMPLE, BEAM ADJUSTING METHOD AND BEAM
ADJUSTING DEVICE

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated September 22, 2004, Applicants elect to prosecute claims reading on the Species II, claims 7-11. Also, Applicants have amended claims 1 and 12 so that all claims depend on claim 7 and request all claims to be examined on the merits.

Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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